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**PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM UNDER 35
U.S.C. 120 PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3)**

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Applicant respectfully requests the Commissioner to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. 120 for the benefit of a prior-filed application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3).

The reference to the prior-filed application is included as an amendment to the specification in the Response to the outstanding Office Action filed with this petition. This reference is as follows:

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/632,522, filed August 4, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,925,431. This application, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/632,522, claim priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/209,759, filed June 6, 2000.

1 The entire delay between the date this claim of priority was due under 37
2 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date this claim was filed was unintentional.

3 The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge set forth in
4 37 C.F.R. §1.17(t) to Deposit Account No. 12-0769.

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6 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees for the
7 above captioned application to our Deposit Account No. 12-0769.

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